

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 8, lines 11-20 with the following amended paragraph:

Turning to Figure 9, a device similar to that of Figure 8 is disclosed. Common reference numerals indicate similar elements and functional features. The resilient seal 44 extends over the longitudinally extending elements as a skirt with the ends of the elements 48 extending outwardly therefrom. A truncated somewhat conical portion 50 actually forming a dome shape extends to a passageway 52. The valve support 54 covers this portion 50. A truncated cone shaped element 60 forms a further part of the valve. It may be part of the same piece of material as the resilient seal 44 and valve support 54. A valve body 62 is shown to be a cylindrical element with a passage 58, shown here to be slits 64 in the form of a cross or star extending longitudinally therethrough.

Please replace the paragraph on page 7, lines 21-23 with the following amended paragraph:

The length of the valve body 62 establishes that the passage ~~[[64]]~~ 58 will operate only in expansion and not through bending of the components. Thus, a substantially greater threshold level of pressure is anticipated for this configuration.